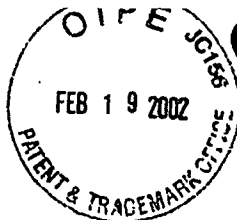


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Dear Sir:

Please amend the specification by replacing the first sentence with the following:

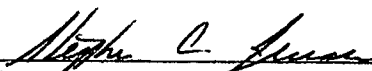
This application is a continuation of Application No. 08/859,837, filed May 16, 1997 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,157,850) which is a continuation of Application No. 08/320,154 filed October 7, 1994 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,632,272 issued May 27, 1997), which is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 08/132,812 filed October 6, 1993 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,490,505 issued February 13, 1996), and a continuation-in-part of Application No. 08/249,690 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,482,036) which is a continuation of Application No. 07/666,060 filed March 7, 1991 (now abandoned).

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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